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Applicant: James P. Baukus, et al.)	Re: Preliminary Amendment
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Divisional of USSN 09/882,900)	
filed on June 15, 2001)	Our Ref: B-3947DIV 621039-4
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For: "PROGRAMMABLE CONNECTOR/ ISOLATOR AND DOUBLE POLYSILICON LAYER CMOS PROCESS WITH BURIED CONTACT USING THE SAME")	
)	Date: July 14, 2003

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

The above-identified application is a divisional of pending prior U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/882,900 filed on June 15, 2001. This paper is being filed as a Preliminary Amendment to the above-identified Application being filed concurrently herewith. Prior to the examination of the above-identified Application, it is respectfully requested that the amendments presented below be made to the Application. **All amendments and remarks herein are made without prejudice.**

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 9 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 10 of this paper, and

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include an Appendix A which is an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.

An Appendix A including amended drawing figures is attached following page 12 of this paper.